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25X1 No special request was sent by Ho Chi Minh to Yugoslavia requesting recognition. Vietnamese leaders in Europe circularized all nations asking them to recognize the Ho Chi Minh Government as the legal government of Viet Nam. There is no special significance in the Ho Chi Minh telegram of thanks sent Tito. Ho Chi Minh would send the same type of message to President Truman or to any one else if they granted recognition to his government.

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Comment. The preceding statements differ somewhat from the details of the Tito recognition of the Ho Chi Minh Government as reported in press dispatches from Belgrade.

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If the representatives of the Ho Chi Minh Government circularized all nations with a request for recognition, the Yugoslav Government could not be omitted without revealing Ho Chi Minh as a tool of Moscow. It is likely that the Tito Government has overemphasized the importance of the request for recognition.

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